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Subject: Re: Urgent : NHTSA's question : Prius and other model's AWFM.

J-CQE) Kato-san

Following are our reply for your request. Please see below Ken's E-mail.  
Drawings have been sent to you by physical fax. So, could you please check if you could get it?

I will be out of office from 9/26(tomorrow) to 10/2.  
If you have any questions, please ask to Tomizuka-san.

Thanks,  
Kenzo Nishiwaki

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Nishiwaki-san, I have reviewed the request you provided me today and answered in bold.

So they have asked us to provide the following information on the Prius AWFM.

[NHTSA's inquiries]-----

1. The reason for the design change (source, condition etc.)  
Improve the mat function as the drivers heel could catch the mat when moving away from the pedal.

2. The detailed description of the design change  
Remove Rib section at point closest to Acc Pedal

3. When the design change was made (when the production of the new mat was started)  
Prius 12/8/2006 for design change.

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#2 : Please provide us with the detail of the design changes, if possible, with design drawing or sketch.  
Hardcopy provided for Prius and GS. IS could not be obtained for tonight.

#3 : Please ask Thermoflex when they started to produce the new design mats.  
Prius 12/8/2006 for design change.  
GS 300/430 2/15/2005 for design change.

#5 : Please confirm whether similar changes have been made on any other vehicle mats.  
If yes, please provide us with the detailed information about the changes. (Make, Model, and the same information as 1. through 3. mentioned above)

6. Who was the supplier of older style AWFM? (before TMS started to use the Thermoflex mats, and current Corolla AWFM)  
VIAM Manufacturing

GS300/430 2WD only. Engineering Change to improve clearance to Acc Pedal.

IS250/350 2wd only. Engineering change to improve clearance for clutch operation.

3. When the design change was made (when the production of the new mat was started)  
2/15/2007

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Hi Bill-san

As I mentioned yesterday, we got detail requests from TMC(J-CQE) on the Prius AWM ECI issue. We have to answer to TMC(J-CQE) following matters within today in order to meet NHTSA's request. Please see below E-Mail from J-CQE.

Your quick action would be highly appreciated.

Thanks,  
Kenzo Nishiwaki

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TMS-CAD Nishiwaki-san,

Thank you for your great cooperation and support on the ES & Camry AWFM issue.

I'm sorry for sending this email to you directly This kind of email (requests to TMS-CAD) should go through TMC-CADD, but as talking to you on the phone today, this is urgent issue.

As you learned from Mr. Yamamoto of PQSS last Friday, NHTSA has been very curious about the Prius AWFM because they found that there are two part numbers for the Prius AWFM and the earlier mats had a different ridge area near the accelerator pedal.

So they have asked us to provide the following information on the Prius AWFM.

[NHTSA's inquiries]-----

The reason for the design change (source, condition etc.)

The detailed description of the design change

When the design change was made (when the production of the new mat was started)

In addition

Who was the supplier of older style AWFM? (before TMS started to use the Thermoflex mats, and current Corolla AWFM)

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